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Weekly report of conditions and transactions at Puerto Cortez—Fruit port.

PUERTO CORTEZ, HONDURAS, *October 9, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended October 9, 1902:

Population according to census of 1896, 1,856; present officially estimated population, 2,000. Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from small-pox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, none. Prevailing disease, malarial fever. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: October 2, steamship *Anselm*; crew, 41; passengers from this port, 11; passengers in transit, 3; baggage disinfected, 26 pieces. October 3, steamship *Bratton*; crew, 15; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; baggage disinfected, none.

Respectfully,

SAMUEL HARRIS BACKUS,
Acting Assistant Surgeon.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

ITALY.

Reports from Naples—Inspection at Palermo—Cholera in Egypt and Arabia and plague in Russia.

NAPLES, ITALY, *September 29, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended September 27, 1902, the following ships were inspected at Naples:

September 23, the steamship *Leon XIII*, of the Spanish Trans-Atlantic Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 338 steerage passengers and 60 pieces of large baggage; 700 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 30 steerage passengers was advised. September 24, the steamship *Citta di Palermo*, bound with cargo for New York; the steamship *Sardegna*, of the Italian General Navigation Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 996 steerage passengers and 250 pieces of large baggage; 1,100 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 54 steerage passengers was advised. September 25, the steamship *Trave*, of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 682 steerage passengers and 163 pieces of large baggage; 750 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 46 steerage passengers was advised. September 27, the steamship *Georgia*, of the Hamburg American Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 599 steerage passengers and 110 pieces of large baggage; 750 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 25 steerage passengers was advised; the steamship *Vancouver*, of the Dominion Line, bound with passengers and cargo for Boston. There were inspected and passed 881 steerage passengers and 285 pieces of large baggage; 1,200 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 35 steerage passengers was advised.

Inspection at Palermo.

At Palermo for the week ended September 27, 1902, the following steamship was inspected: September 25 and September 26, the steamship

Algeria, of the Anchor Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New Orleans. There were inspected and passed 867 steerage passengers; 895 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 70 steerage passengers was advised.

Asiatic cholera in Egypt.

According to reports from Alexandria, the cholera statistics in Egypt are as follows: September 18, Cairo, new cases, 17; deaths, 15. Alexandria, new cases, 31; deaths, 24. Other districts, new cases, 858; deaths, 784. September 19, Cairo, new cases, 21; deaths, 18. Alexandria, new cases, 35; deaths, 29. Other districts, new cases, 758; deaths, 565. September 20, Cairo, new cases, 11; deaths, 12. Alexandria, new cases, 41; deaths, 32. Other districts, new cases, 649; deaths, 571. For the week ended September 20, the total figures are, new cases, 6,587; deaths, 5,983 against fresh cases, 9,805, and deaths 8,497, the previous week. With the week ended September 20, there has been since the beginning of the epidemic, July 15, 1902, 30,931 cases, with 25,734 deaths. September 21, Cairo, new cases, 15; deaths, 13. Alexandria, new cases, 28; deaths, 24. Other districts, new cases, 769; deaths, 666. September 22, Cairo, new cases, 15; deaths, 11. Alexandria, new cases, 36; deaths, 23. Other districts, new cases, 675; deaths, 576. September 23, Cairo, new cases, 18; deaths, 16. Alexandria, new cases, 25; deaths, 26. Other districts, new cases, 593; deaths, 499. September 24, Cairo, new cases, 13; deaths, 13. Alexandria, new cases, 35; deaths, 31. Other districts, new cases, 575; deaths, 607. September 25, Cairo, new cases, 9; deaths, 9. Alexandria, new cases, 20; deaths, 17. Other districts, new cases, 558; deaths, 461.

Bubonic plague in Russia.

Under date of September 18, 1902, it was reported that during the past six days, 4 new cases of bubonic plague had been reported at Odessa. This brought the number of cases of plague at Odessa since the beginning of the epidemic at that port to a total of 23 cases.

Respectfully,

J. M. EAGER,

Passed Assistant Surgeon.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

NAPLES, ITALY, October 6, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended October 4, 1902, the following ships were inspected at Naples:

September 30, the steamship *Patria*, of the Fabre Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 945 steerage passengers and 240 pieces of large baggage; 1,200 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 34 steerage passengers was advised.

October 2, the steamship *Aller*, of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 561 steerage passengers and 163 pieces of large baggage; 750 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 19 steerage passengers was advised. The steamship *Sicilian Prince*, of the Prince Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 725 steerage passengers and 200 pieces of large baggage; 850 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 30 steerage passengers was advised.

October 3, the steamship *Perugia*, of the Anchor Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed

1,209 steerage passengers and 230 pieces of large baggage ; 1,400 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 46 steerage passengers was advised.

October 4, the steamship *Citta di Napoli*, of the Veloce Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 1,418 steerage passengers and 150 pieces of large baggage ; 1,600 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 91 steerage passengers was advised.

Inspection at Palermo.

At Palermo for the week ended October 4, 1902, the following ships were inspected :

September 29 and September 30, the steamship *Manilla*, of the Italian General Navigation Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New Orleans. There were inspected and passed 1,278 steerage passengers ; 1,707 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 118 steerage passengers was advised.

October 4, the steamship *Sicilian Prince*, of the Prince Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 390 steerage passengers ; 500 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 57 steerage passengers was advised.

Asiatic cholera in Egypt.

The cholera reports from Egypt are as follows : September 26, Cairo, new cases, 4 ; deaths, 3. Alexandria, new cases, 23 ; deaths, 24. Other districts, new cases, 422 ; deaths, 386. September 27, Cairo, new cases, 3 ; deaths, 3. Alexandria, new cases, 25 ; deaths, 17. Other districts, new cases, 461 ; deaths, 474. September 28, Cairo, new cases, 8 ; deaths, 9. Alexandria, new cases, 29 ; deaths, 24. Other districts, new cases, 361 ; deaths, 356.

For the week ended September 27, 1902, the total figures were, new cases, 4,421 ; deaths, 3,902. To the end of the week there had been from the beginning of the epidemic, July 15, 1902, in all Egypt, 35,374 cases and 29,753 deaths. The number of localities declared infected is 1,890. Among those ill with cholera, only 291 were Europeans.

Asiatic cholera at Medina.

Reports from Constantinople dated October 1, 1902, state that cholera has appeared at Medina, Arabia, and that in two days there were 18 deaths.

Bubonic plague in Smyrna.

Under date of October 3, 1902, it was reported that 2 cases of suspected bubonic plague had occurred at Smyrna.

Respectfully,

J. M. EAGER,

Passed Assistant Surgeon.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

JAPAN.

Report from Yokohama—Cholera situation.

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN, *September 27, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith abstract of bills of health for the week ended September 20, 1902. Bills of health were issued to 4 vessels having a total personnel of 305 crew and 454 passengers; 375